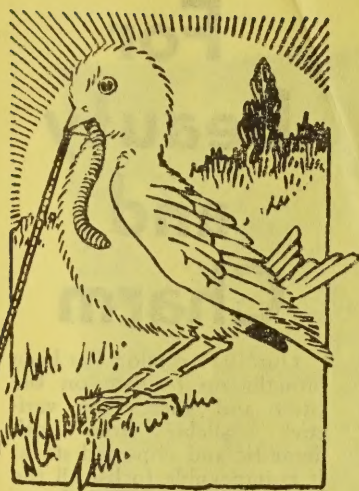


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## Special "EARLY BIRD" Offer

If everyone waited until planting time to place their order for bulbs it would be impossible to estimate the amount of bulbs we needed of each of the many varieties we list. Therefore we offer to those who are willing to cooperate a **SPECIAL DISCOUNT OF 10%** of the total amount of the order, if payment in full accompanies the order.

**This  
"EARLY BIRD"  
Discount of  
10%  
Expires June 10**

**C.O.D. SHIPMENTS:** We will book your order on receipt of 25% of the amount of the order. We will ship C.O.D. at planting time for the balance, but will ship the order prepaid if remittance in full is received before shipping date.

**NELIS  
NURSERIES**

Inc.

HOLLAND, MICH.



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\$1.60 per doz.

\$10.50 per 100

# NELIS NURSERIES

INCORPORATED

## Holland, Michigan



# For Beauty and Charm

Our 1955 catalog has been brought up to date on the latest and finest bulb varieties available from both domestic and imported stock. It is impossible to list all the varieties we grow and if you need one or more varieties not listed, please write us, we may have it.

**COMPLETE INSTRUCTIONS ARE SENT WITH EACH ORDER.** Kindly follow instructions as given for best results.

**FOR OUR CUSTOMERS IN THE DEEP SOUTH:** Ask for our special southern planting instructions to be included with your order for locations in Florida, and places bordering the Gulf of Mexico and southern California. All other sections use regular instructions. These new southern instructions will help you to have success with our bulbs, where otherwise you have had failure.

**TERMS OF SALE:** All stock will be shipped to you at the correct planting time for your climate. Send payment by postal, express or bank money order, or registered mail. Unregistered currency is sent at your own risk. No charge accounts will be accepted unless credit has been established.

All orders over \$5.00 will be prepaid in full if accompanied by remittance. For orders under \$5.00 please enclose 25c for packing and postage charges.

## **TULIP TIME in HOLLAND MAY 11-14**

The blooming period of our Tulips is the month of May. Visitors always welcome. Write us a card and we shall be glad to advise you when most varieties are in bloom.

**Nelis Nurseries, Inc.  
Holland, Mich.**



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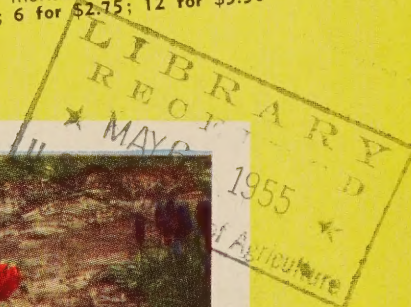
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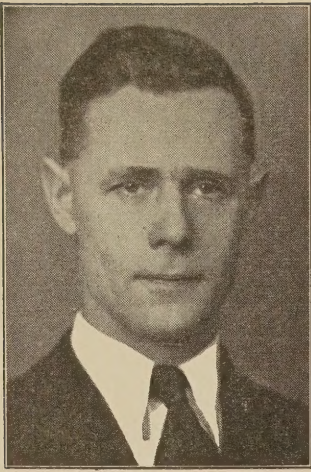
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INCORPORATED

## Holland, Michigan





HARRY NELIS  
General Manager

# Greetings-From the City of Tulips

The 1955 Tulip Festival dates for "Tulip Time" are set for May 11-14th. Tulips bloom during the month of May. If you wish to see the largest number of Tulips in bloom, please be guided by your local weather conditions; depending on whether the season is late or early. If in doubt, we shall be glad to advise you, if you write requesting the information.

## Nelis FAMOUS RAINBOW COLLECTION

This Mixture Contains over 300 Different Varieties  
Do not confuse this beautiful mixture with any cheap bargain offers which fail to give satisfaction because of the small size bulbs supplied. Nelis Blooming Size Rainbow Collections Are Guaranteed To Bloom 100% the first season.

### BLOOMING SIZE

3 3/4 inches in circumference, or 1 1/8 to 1 1/4 inches in diameter.

50 for \$3.25  
100 for 5.90

250 for \$14.25  
1000 for 55.00

Available in two sizes:

### TOP SIZE

Averaging 4 to 5 inches in circumference or 1 1/2 to 1 3/4 inches in diameter. This assortment is our own mixture and consists of some of all the varieties we grow.

25 for \$3.00  
50 for 4.95

100 for \$9.00  
250 for 22.00

Guaranteed Blooming size Bulbs for **LESS than 6¢ EACH** in 100 Lots



### Warehouse Prices for Large Plantings of Tulip Bulbs of Our Superior Quality NELIS RAINBOW MIXTURE

Bulbs 10-11 cm. in diam.

**40¢  
Per Running Foot**

This mixture is the result of years of work, and is admired each May by thousands of our Tulip Time visitors who come back year after year from all over the country to enjoy our fields in full bloom.

### Ideal for Borders or Curb Plantings

Simply measure the distance you wish to cover along driveways, walks, borders or shrubbery. That's all there is to it. We will send you the correct amount of bulbs needed to make a full, generous planting, 3 abreast, in exactly the same way the bulbs are planted in Holland, Michigan's famous Tulip Lanes.

Purchases from this offer are shipped F.O.B. Holland, Michigan, Express Collect.

**Minimum Order 25 Feet**



# AN Important MESSAGE —

FRED NELIS, Pres.  
HARRY NELIS, Sec'y-Treas.



## NELIS NURSERIES, Inc.

Bulb Growers Nurserymen Importers

Specializing in Tulip Bulbs

HOLLAND, MICHIGAN

DAFFODILS  
HYACINTHS  
LILIES  
PERENNIALS  
EVERGREENS  
FLOWERING  
SHRUBS

April, 1955.

Dear Customer:

We take great pleasure in presenting our 1955 planting Guide, listing our latest selections of spring-flowering bulbs. Shipment of all items listed in this catalog is made either during the summer or fall months.

Many of the varieties have been reduced in price, notwithstanding the fact that the cost of supplying you with the best possible merchandise is constantly increasing. The selection of varieties listed has again been checked, and replaced with better kinds wherever such was possible. A sharp reduction of price has been made on all Tulips listed on pages 16 and 17.

We also wish to thank all of you for your patronage which has made it possible for us to stay in this interesting business, and we hope we may continue to please you with our ever-improving varieties of plants and bulbs.

Very truly yours,  
NELIS NURSERIES, Inc.

*Harry Nelis*

HN/mk

## New Early Blooming

### *Flaming Youth*

This variety grows to a height of 10 to 12 inches. Very vivid orange-scarlet, with large, shiny foliage. One of the first varieties to bloom. We are offering Flaming Youth instead of Red Emperor, because it is much hardier, can take any of the late frosts, and its blooming period is much longer. You will like it.

3 for 85¢    \$2.75 Per Doz.  
\$21.00 Per 100



Flaming Youth

## GUARANTEE

Except where clearly stated otherwise in this catalog, we unconditionally guarantee every bulb we ship out to be strictly top size, and to be absolutely true to name. All bulbs shipped by us will grow and bloom under ordinary conditions. We have, however, no control over unfavorable weather or soil conditions, improper planting, neglect, moles or mice, and therefore cannot assume responsibility after they reach you. Stock not reaching you in first class condition should be reported within 10 days after receipt, and will be replaced free of charge if so received. After ten days it is mutually agreed that stock is satisfactory. Do not return bulbs or plants unless so instructed by us.

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# Latest Novelty and Prize



Poggenbeek

We cannot picture each one of these 15 beauties. Please read the descriptions given on this and the following page.

Each year our Tulip display fields show the latest and newest winners, and we select the top favorites for our catalog listing. These two pages make the very best varieties available to you, and many of these will probably not be handled by the average seedsman or grower for another decade.



John  
Nieuwenhuis

**BLACK GIRL.** 28 in. The darkest of the "Black Tulips." Medium size flowers on strong stems. Especially lovely in plantings with light Tulips for contrast . . . . .

**BLUE PRINCESS.** 26 in. Beautiful lavender blend, light blue at the base. Strong, showy novelty. . . . .

**EDNA BELSINGER.** 26 in. Named by Nelis Nurseries in 1952 in honor of one of the outstanding gardeners in Atlanta, Georgia. The color is a lovely blend of peach, orange and touches of chartreuse-yellow. The huge, perfectly shaped flower is borne on a straight, proud stem . . . . .

**FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE.** 29 in. Brilliant geranium-scarlet of unusual keeping qualities. A 1950 winner of an Award of Merit at Haarlem (Netherlands) . . . . .

**HAPPY DAYS.** 30 in. A striking new discovery. A lovely white flower with a broad margin of rosy red . . . . .

**JOHN NIEUWENHUIS.** 40 in. One of the largest and tallest golden sunflower-yellow Tulips ever shown in 1954 on our Holland, Michigan, Tulip display field . . . . .

**MAGICIAN.** 30 in. White, with a purple edge. It has no equal in color and performance . . . . .

**MARIE NICHOLSON.** 29 in. Outstanding rosy red with a glossy sheen. A Tulip of fine shape and great strength. Named for the first president of the American Tulip Society. A Nelis introduction . . . . .

Per 3 Doz. 100

\$0.50 \$1.55 \$10.50

1.00 3.15 . . . .

.60 2.00 16.00

.55 1.70 11.50

.85 2.75 19.50

.90 2.75 19.50

.55 1.75 12.00

.60 1.80 12.00



Magician



# -Winning TULIPS

	Per 3	Doz.	100
<b>MASKARADE.</b> 29 in. Deep yellow, edged red. Another award winner, as most of the varieties listed in this group .....	\$0.90	\$3.00	....
<b>MOUNT HOOD.</b> 29 in. The largest and most spectacular pure white Tulip in the late flowering varieties .....	.55	1.75	12.00
<b>MRS. HENRY FORD.</b> 22 in. Large flower of vivid orange-scarlet with definite black mark at base. This beautiful Tulip resembles a red Poppy when it opens to full bloom. A Nelis introduction ...	.85	2.75	....
<b>POGGENBEEK.</b> 30 in. Unique novelty of cherry-red, edged Turkish red. Winner of Award of Merit and First Class Certificate. A striking beauty .....	.60	2.00	14.00
<b>QUEEN OF THE BARTIGONS.</b> 28 in. Pure salmon-pink with yellow stamens. Winner of many awards .....	1.00	3.00	....
<b>ROSY WINGS.</b> 29 in. Radiant, pure apricot-pink, white base. A new introduction which was received with great enthusiasm by Tulip Time visitors. Huge flower .....	.65	2.15	15.00
<b>SWEET HARMONY.</b> 26 in. Oblong shaped flowers of clear lemon-yellow with an ivory-white border. A very unusual and pleasing novelty .....	.85	2.75	....



Marie  
Nicholson

## NOVELTY COLLECTION

1 each (labeled)	15 bulbs	\$ 3.95
3 each (labeled)	45 bulbs	10.75
6 each (labeled)	90 bulbs	19.50
12 each (labeled)	180 bulbs	34.50



Edna  
Belsinger



Black  
Girl



# Nelis Giant May-

The constant interbreeding of Darwin, Cottage and Breeder Tulips has made the classification of each variety so confusing that we are listing them all in one category, called May-flowering. Since the modern Giant May-flowering Tulips contain the blood of all the three preceding crosses in unknown proportions, it seems scientifically meaningless to use the old classifications.

The term May-flowering is based on our Michigan climate, in southern locations the blooming time will be earlier. In our 1955 listing we eliminated varieties which we consider to be surpassed by later introductions.

## Tri-Color Collection "A"

18	Bulbs (6 of each variety illustrated on this page) .....	\$2.35
36	Bulbs (12 of each variety illustrated on this page) .....	4.55
75	Bulbs (25 of each variety illustrated on this page) .....	9.00

**ADVANCE.** 28 in. Orange-scarlet Tulip of tremendous size. One of the earliest bloomers in this class .....

Per 3	Doz.	100
\$0.55	\$1.55	\$10.50

**ALICE TIPLADY.** 26 in. Champagne color. An unusually lovely blend of soft cream to delicate orange. The pointed petals are slightly touched lavender at the tip .....

.90	3.00	.....
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**ALLBRIGHT.** 24 in. Intense scarlet, an improved Bartigon variety. Ideal for outdoor planting, and forcing .....

.45	1.40	9.50
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**AMERICAN FLAG.** 26 in. Dark red with broad white lines, and blue base .....

.60	1.85	13.00
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**ARISTOCRAT.** 32 in. Carmine-rose with lighter edge. A tall giant among Tulips, unsurpassed in strength and beauty .....

.50	1.55	10.50
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**BACCHUS.** 32 in. Dark plum color, large egg-shaped flower. Beautiful garden variety with no superior .....

Per 3	Doz.	100
\$0.55	\$1.60	\$10.50

**BARBARA PRATT.** 30 in. Cochineal-carmine with lilac-rose edge. A Tulip whose strength and sturdiness are unsurpassed .....

.45	1.40	9.50
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**BELLE JAUNE.** 27 in. The finest and strongest dark yellow Tulip. Large egg-shaped blossoms of enormous size and perfect form .....

.45	1.45	9.75
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**BLACK EAGLE.** 29 in. Intense deep purple, almost black. Cup-shaped flower of great size, blue base and black anthers. This variety produces flowers from small size bulbs .....

.50	1.65	11.00
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**BLEU AIMABLE.** 26 in. Blue-purple changing to carmine-blue as the flower ages. A very handsome Tulip .....

.50	1.65	11.00
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**CARRARA.** 28 in. Flowers round and pure white as the marble from which it gets its name. A fine white .....

.45	1.40	9.50
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Advance

Dorrie Overall

Belle Jaune



# Flowering Tulips

**CHARLES NEEDHAM.** 27 in. Brilliant vivid red, a magnificent variety which will always keep its great popularity. Very attractive and bright .....  

	Per 3	Doz.	100
	\$0.60	\$1.85	\$13.00

**CONDE NAST.** 27 in. Strong and beautiful waxy yellow, suffused with salmon overcast as the flower ages. Late blooming .....  

	.50	1.55	10.50
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**CROWNING GLORY.** 24 in. Golden yellow with a clearly defined edge of scarlet-red. A very striking beauty ..  

	Per 3	Doz.	100
	\$0.45	\$1.40	\$ 9.50

**DILLENBERG.** 28 in. Glorious salmon-orange with large, showy well-formed flowers. A rather late bloomer .....  

	.45	1.40	9.50
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**DOM PEDRO.** 27 in. Beautiful shade of coffee-brown shaded maroon. Unique color. Fragrant. Late bloomer .....  

	Per 3	Doz.	100
	\$0.55	\$1.75	\$12.00

**DORRIE OVERALL.** 34 in. The outside of the flower is deep petunia-purple with lighter edge, the inside tinted light blue. Largest and tallest of this color and type .....  

	.50	1.65	11.00
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**DOSIA.** 26 in. Red, with a broad, sharply lined yellow edge, inside deep yellow slightly sprayed red .....  

	.45	1.40	9.50
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**ECLIPSE.** 28 in. Most perfect crimson color Tulip in existence today. Glorious color, perfect shape and form .....  

	.55	1.65	11.00
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**FAUST.** 30 in. Dark satiny purple with white base. Enormous flower of fine form, quite the best in this color. Highly recommended .....  

	.50	1.55	10.50
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**GEORGE DICKS.** 30 in. Enormous salmon-pink. A glorified Clara Butt Tulip .....  

	.55	1.65	11.00
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**GEISHA.** 28 in. Dove color, inside purple. A hard to describe color. The outside is pale violet to buff, changing to a grayish lilac. Very attractive pastel .....  

	.55	1.65	11.00
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**GLACIER.** 27 in. Sometimes called Wildlust. This flower is a perfect ivory-white, giving an almost transparent effect .....  

	.50	1.55	10.50
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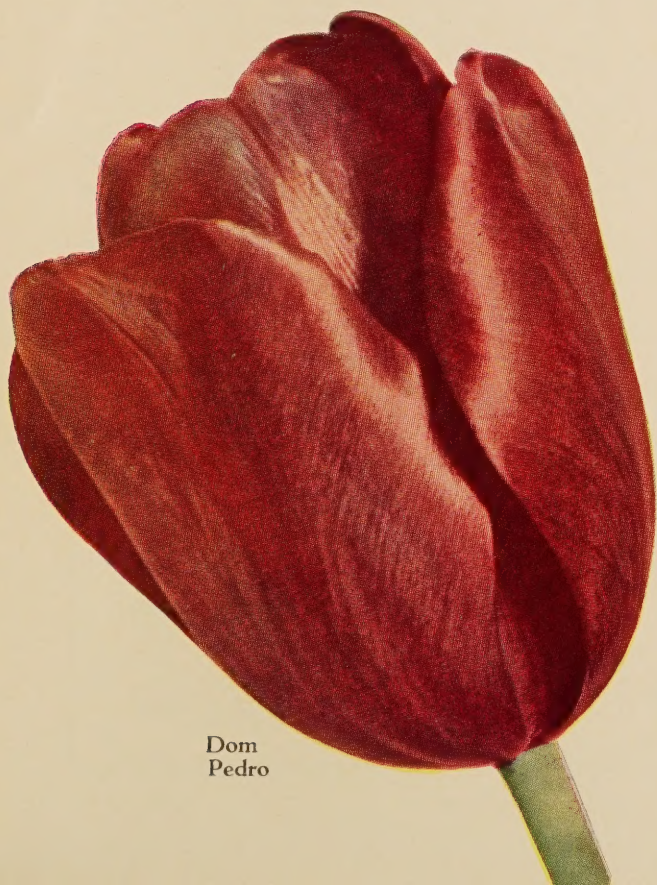
Crowning  
Glory

**GOLDEN BRONZE.** 26 in. This lovely Tulip is the exact color the name implies. Bulbs produce from 3 to 6 flowers per plant. Medium size flowers .....  

	Per 3	Doz.	100
	\$0.50	\$1.55	\$10.50

**GOLDEN HARVEST.** 29 in. Tall, deep lemon-yellow flowers of great substance, with a lovely shading of pale green through the blossom, making it one of the rarest and loveliest of yellow Tulips .....  

	.45	1.40	9.50
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Dom  
Pedro



Marshall  
Haig



# Nelis May-Flowering

Per 3 Doz. 100

**GOLDEN MEASURE.** 22 in. Golden yellow inside, outside slightly lighter in color, with a very narrow band of red. Very large, egg-shaped flower. A real novelty. Fragrant .....\$0.50 \$1.55 \$10.50

**GRENADIER.** 21 in. Dazzling vermillion-orange. Excellent in clumps in the border as outstanding bright spots in the color scheme. Most effective in full sun. Early bloomer ..... .50 1.50 10.25

**G. W. LEAK.** 28 in. Brilliant flowers of geranium-scarlet. The tips of the petals turn down, showing the lovely pale base. Ideally suited for American climate, this tall strong variety is a compelling beauty ..... .50 1.65 11.00

**H. I. PRATT.** 27 in. Delicate lavender blending, edges overlaid with gold, set off with a narrow edge of golden yellow. Inside more heavily overlaid, changing to yellow at the base ..... .45 1.40 9.50

**JEROEN BOSCH.** 28 in. An unusual color combination. Light maroon-red with the edges of the petals bordered bronze, changing to golden yellow at the tips. Oval shaped, large flower.. .50 1.55 10.50

**JESSY.** 28 in. Warm chestnut-brown and purple combination. Artistic coloring and good growing habits make this variety a perennial favorite .... .50 1.65 11.00

**KLONDYKE.** 28 in. Most beautiful golden yellow, the shade of Buttercups, with yellow stamens, giving an over-all glowing effect. Enormous flowers ... .70 2.20 15.00

**LADY HILLINGDON.** 27 in. Richly veined orange. The white center of the petal has a salmon overcast. Inside orange blendings with deep orange-yellow base ..... .45 1.40 10.00

**LA TULIPE NOIRE.** 26 in. Deep maroon-black with a velvety sheen. One of the darkest varieties ..... .50 1.55 10.50

**MARGEAX.** 30 in. The gorgeous blossoms are wine-red, almost dubonet. Outstanding color and large flower of perfect shape ..... .55 1.65 11.00

**MARJORIE BOWEN.** 31 in. Buff-salmon and orange shades melt into each other and turn to pink as the flower ages. A very graceful variety ..... .45 1.40 9.50

**MARSHALL HAIG.** 27 in. Large bronze-red flowers edged crimson. As the flower ages it becomes brilliant crimson with a bright interior and golden yellow base. Finest scarlet in this price class ..... .55 1.65 11.00

**MAZEPPA.** 28 in. Brilliant geranium-scarlet. Long oblong flowers. Tips of petals slightly reflexed. Exceptional color appeal, and perfect form ..... .55 1.65 11.00

**MONTGOMERY.** 26 in. White with clearly marked red edge. A new, very striking variety, which we are sure you will like ..... .55 1.65 11.00

**MOUNT EREBUS.** 29 in. Spectacular pure white with white stamens. Highly recommended ..... .55 1.65 11.00

Montgomery

Mount Erebus

Jessy

## Planting Table

Number of bulbs required to plant circular beds.

Diam. of Bed	4 in. apart	6 in. apart	8 in. apart
3 feet .....	90	36	
4 feet .....	120	48	37
5 feet .....	220	84	69
6 feet .....	260	120	78
7 feet .....	400	160	96
8 feet .....	460	210	127
9 feet .....	630	260	156
10 feet .....	710	325	190
11 feet .....	900	390	240
12 feet .....	1000	460	270

For an oval bed, add length and breadth and divide by 2. For example, a 10x6-ft. oval bed requires as many plants as a round bed 8 ft. in diameter.



# TULIPS, Continued

	Per 3	Doz.	100
<b>MRS. J. T. SCHEEPERS.</b> 24 in. One of the largest bright yellow Tulips, with a long oval flower which holds its shape to the end .....	\$0.50	\$1.60	\$10.50
<b>MR. VAN ZYL.</b> 25 in. A glorious dark rose Tulip with broad white border, lovely clear bright interior. A splendid variety which we can well recommend .....	.50	1.55	10.50
<b>NARDI.</b> 27 in. Immense flowers of American-Beauty-red. Another lovely addition to the Giant-flowering Tulips. In its early stages its characteristic is a disarming rosebud shape..	.50	1.55	10.50
<b>NEW ORLEANS.</b> 28 in. Intense claret-crimson with blue base. Strong, vivid color ...	.45	1.50	10.00
<b>NIPHETOS.</b> 27 in. Soft sulphur-yellow, inside primula-yellow, anthers yellow. A gorgeous variety, and it keeps excellently ....	.50	1.55	10.50
<b>ORANGE BURCHT.</b> 30 in. Maroon at the tips, flows into maroon and golden yellow at the base. Large flowers which keep well. A warm and glowing color .....	.60	2.00	14.00
<b>ORANGE GLOW.</b> 32 in. Magnificent golden yellow overlaid with orange and buff. Wiry, tall stems. The finest light orange Tulip ..	.55	1.65	11.00
<b>ORANGE KING.</b> 23 in. Deep orange-rose, with inside of cup orange-scarlet with yellow center. Graceful in form and enticingly fragrant .....	.40	1.35	9.00
<b>PRICELESS.</b> 26 in. Tall white, edged vivid red. Petals slightly pointed. A great improvement over the old variety Picotee ....	.60	2.00	14.00
<b>PRIDE OF ZWANENBURG.</b> 28 in. A beautiful salmon-rose with a narrow edge of blush-rose. This is the tall salmon-pink bloom for which every connoisseur has been looking for years .....	.55	1.60	10.50
<b>PRINCESS ELIZABETH MAX.</b> 28 in. Clear, deep pink changing to rose-pink. Lovely well-shaped flower. A taller and larger improvement over the old variety Princess Elizabeth .....	.45	1.40	9.50
<b>QUEEN OF THE NIGHT.</b> 28 in. Deep velvety maroon, nearly black. Tall straight stem. Very showy .....	.50	1.55	10.50
<b>RIVIERA.</b> 30 in. Soft lilac, large cup-shaped flower. A very desirable variety, always greatly admired by our Tulip Time visitors	.50	1.65	11.00
<b>SCARLET BEAUTY.</b> 28 in. Beautiful fiery red-scarlet without any markings. One of the best reds for outside plantings. Tall, straight stems with flowers of long lasting quality .....	.70	2.15	15.00
<b>SMILING QUEEN.</b> 32 in. Clear rose-pink with exceptionally long flowers and beautiful foliage. Considered a perfect American variety in which size, sturdiness and perfection are important .....	.50	1.65	11.00
<b>SONATE.</b> 29 in. Blending of orange-red softening to golden yellow at the edge, which made it a spectacular success at our display fields. Long lasting, it will bloom when all other varieties have faded .....	.55	1.70	11.50
<b>SOUTHERN CROSS.</b> 31 in. Delightful blend of sulphur-yellow changing to golden yellow, flushed warm apricot, inside golden yellow. Fine exhibition variety of unusual attraction. Late blooming .....	.50	1.55	10.50



Margeaux



Southern Cross



Smiling Queen

## Tri-Color Collection "B"

18	Bulbs (6 of each variety illustrated on this page) .....	\$2.40
36	Bulbs (12 of each variety illustrated on this page) .....	4.60
75	Bulbs (25 of each variety illustrated on this page) .....	9.10





American Flag

## Nelis May-Flowering Tulips

(Continued)

	Per 3	Doz.	100
<b>THE BISHOP.</b> 29 in. The finest dark blue-purple in existence today. A strong, tall flower which never fails to make a show .....	\$0.50	\$1.65	\$11.00

<b>THE TORCH.</b> 22 in. Scarlet flames on a yellow background, resembling a flaming torch. This globular flower with its unusual color combination is a striking beauty .....	.45	1.50	10.00
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<b>WHITE GIANT.</b> 30 in. A lovely white Darwin Tulip of correct Darwin shape with a strong, straight, tall stem. Without a question one of the best white Tulips. Black stamens .....	.50	1.55	10.50
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The Torch

### First Catalog Offering!

**JACOBI.** 15 inches. A rich red of a shade difficult to describe, but which is spotted immediately in a planting of hundreds of varieties. This short red Tulip has outsold all varieties, barring none, at our display field for the past three years. We hardly dare to offer it, for fear there is not sufficient stock to go around, but first come, first served. Not the least of its assets, it outlasts in bloom any variety we know, having double the blooming period of the average variety. 6 for \$1.00; \$2.00 per doz.

### New Fringed Tulips

The edges of these Tulips are finely lacerated and feathered. They do not belong to the Parrot class, as they retain their regular Tulip shape. A very attractive, but little known type.

	Per 3	Doz.	100
<b>Fringed Lilac.</b> 26 in. A blending of lavender shades .....	\$0.65	\$2.00	....
<b>Sothis.</b> 26 in. Vivid red, an outstanding variety .....	.50	1.65	....
<b>Sundew.</b> 25 in. Cardinal-red .....	.45	1.45	....

### COLLECTION OF FRINGED TULIPS

3 each of 3 varieties listed above ( 9 bulbs, labeled)	\$1.55
6 each of 3 varieties listed above (18 bulbs, labeled)	2.95
12 each of 3 varieties listed above (36 bulbs, labeled)	4.75

### Mixed Rembrandt Tulips

Rembrandt Tulips are striped and feathered Darwin Tulips with stripes or flakes of white, lavender, red, yellow or other hues as their colors. They blend in perfect harmony at all times. They are especially nice when used for cut flowers. The mixture we supply is our own, and we are proud to offer it. Contains all colors, all striped, and is offered in mixture only.

\$1.75 per doz.	25 for \$3.25	\$12.00 per 100
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### Super Giant Tulip, Dardanelle

30 inches tall. This giant scarlet-red Tulip of immense size, great strength of stem, and with enormous blossoms always attracts the most attention at our annual Tulip display. Very early blooming. Not illustrated. 3 for \$1.25; \$4.00 per doz.; \$30.00 per 100.





## Not Illustrated

Crowning Glory. See page 7.  
Golden Bronze. See page 7.  
Grenadier. See page 8.  
H. I. Pratt. See page 8.  
Southern Cross. See page 9.

## Nelis Popular

# "10 Color Collection"

1. Faust 2. White Giant 3. Pride of Zwanenburg 4. Allbright 5. Golden Harvest

30	bulbs ( 3 each of 10 varieties, labeled) ..	\$4.75
60	bulbs ( 6 each of 10 varieties, labeled) ..	8.25
120	bulbs ( 12 each of 10 varieties, labeled) ..	14.75
250	bulbs ( 25 each of 10 varieties, labeled) ..	25.50
1000	bulbs (100 each of 10 varieties, labeled) ..	97.50





Springtime



Roem Von Berlin



Pandion



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# New and Splendid Triumph Tulips

Giant Flowers of Majestic Splendor

(Blooming between the early types and the regular May-flowering varieties).

	Per 3	Doz.	100
ALBERIO. 24 in. Warm shade of deep wine-red with a narrow edge of flesh-pink. Large and sturdy .....	\$0.50	\$1.50	\$10.50
BANDOENG. 16 in. Mahogany-red with a narrow dark yellow border. Very attractive .....	.45	1.45	10.00
EDITH EDDY. 18 in. Beautiful carmine-red, edged white. Fine shape and form .....	.45	1.40	9.50
ELMUS. 24 in. Cherry-red with a narrow creamy white edge around the petals. Extra large flower .....	.50	1.65	11.00
GLADSTONE. 26 in. Extra large flower of lovely reddish purple. Makes an unforgettable showing if planted with a clear yellow like Ursa Minor .....	.65	1.75	13.50
GREAT CITY. 24 in. Fine new red with a distinct yellow border .....	.60	1.85	13.50
JOHANNA. 22 in. Light salmon-rose, inside shading to vermillion with canary-yellow base. Large flower poised on a tall stem .....	.55	1.55	10.50
KANSAS. 22 in. Snow-white with lemon-yellow base and yellow stamens. One of the best whites for outdoor planting .....	.45	1.40	9.50
PANDION. 24 in. Large flower of clear lavender which blends to a pale lavender at the edges. A flower which attracts very much attention during our Tulip Festival .....	.70	2.15	15.00
PRESIDENT VON HINDENBURG. 24 in. Purplish garnet-red with yellow edge. Large, strong flower which lasts a long time .....	.55	1.75	12.00
ROEM VON BERLIN. 20 in. Cup-shaped flower of bright scarlet, edged golden yellow, making a very showy color combination ....	.50	1.65	11.00
ROLAND. 24 in. Beautiful egg-shaped flowers of lovely bright scarlet edged ivory. Majestically carried on tall and strong stems ...	.55	1.80	12.50
ROSE BEAUTY. 20 in. A lovely rose with an almost white border. Cup-shaped flower of medium size .....	.55	1.55	10.50
SCARLET SENSATION. 15 in. Outstanding luminous vermillion-red. A fine variety for showy beds .....	.50	1.55	10.50
SPRINGTIME. 24 in. The center of the petals is creamy white, bordered with a lovely cherry-rose .....	.50	1.55	10.50
URSA MINOR. 22 in. Deep golden yellow, an exceptional bedding variety, the finest in this class .....	.55	1.80	12.50

## GIANT TRIUMPH TULIP COLLECTION

Alberio. Wine, pink edge.  
Bandoeng. Mahogany.  
Johanna. Salmon.  
Kansas. White.  
Springtime. Pink and white.  
Ursa Minor. Yellow.

3 each of 6 varieties ( 18 bulbs, labeled) .... \$3.00

6 each of 6 varieties ( 36 bulbs, labeled) .....5.00

12 each of 6 varieties ( 72 bulbs, labeled) .....9.00

25 each of 6 varieties (150 bulbs, labeled) .... 17.00



Faraday

Listed on page 13.



# Novelty PARROT TULIPS

These new Parrots, in contrast to the older varieties, have strong, firm stems and keep the flowers erect, making them a valuable addition to any garden. The Parrots are entirely different from all other Tulip varieties and are now available at greatly reduced prices.

	Per 3	Doz.	100
<b>BLACK PARROT.</b> 26 in. Deepest blue-black, inside and out. A new, highly recommended Parrot .....	\$0.65	\$2.15	\$15.00
<b>BLUE PARROT.</b> 26 in. A glorious flower of bright violet shading to steel-blue, gradually changing to a most pleasing blue. Very large flower with strong stem. Sport and color of Darwin Tulip Bleu Aimable .....	.55	1.65	11.00
<b>DOORMAN.</b> 22 in. Wine-red with golden yellow border and darker flames. Giant blossoms. Parrot Doorman took all the top honors at 1952 Atlanta, Georgia, flower show. ....	.85	2.75	19.50
<b>FANTASY.</b> 22 in. Beautiful salmon-pink with a much darker interior, outside the petals are veined emerald-green. This variety was and remains a great success and favorite. Sport and color of Darwin Tulip Clara Butt .....	.50	1.55	10.50
<b>FARADAY.</b> 22 in. The delicate creamy petals bear veins of red and green. A truly outstanding and different Parrot. Supply is still short, please order early to insure delivery..	.65	2.30	16.50
<b>FIREBIRD.</b> 22 in. An appealing new addition to the Parrot class, of penetrating red. The center of the beautifully ruffled petals is marked green on the outside. Produced through X-ray by Dr. de Mol, from Fantasy .....	.60	1.85	13.50
<b>GADELAN.</b> 22 in. Violet and mauve with purple shading, center white. A magnificent variety of gigantic size and excellent substance. Sport and color of Darwin Tulip Sensation. Highly recommended .....	.70	2.15	15.00
<b>MISS KAY.</b> 27 in. A large, exquisite bloom of dark crimson-maroon. Sport and color of Darwin Allard Pierson. ....	.60	1.85	13.50
<b>OPAL QUEEN.</b> 26 in. Very beautiful pearl-blue Parrot of remarkable size, carried on a strong stem. Sport and color of Darwin Tulip Glory of Walworth. Highly recommended ..	.75	2.30	16.50
<b>ORANGE FAVORITE.</b> 22 in. After many years we are happy to offer an orange Parrot Tulip. This elegant variety has attractively frilled petals marked with green on the outside, for lovely contrast. Sport of the well-known Orange King. One of the most fragrant Tulips known ..	.55	1.60	10.75
<b>PINK CHAMPION.</b> 20 in. Extra large white blossoms which are bordered with a pink margin. A very unusual and pleasing color combination .....	.55	1.75	12.00
<b>TEXAS GOLD.</b> 24 in. By far the largest and most grandiose of all the yellows, if not of all Parrots. The huge yellow flowers are bordered with a narrow edge of vivid red which enhances the flower still more. For size and beauty we have never seen its equal .....	.60	1.90	13.50
<b>THERESE.</b> 29 in. Brilliant scarlet, inside glittering scarlet of lighter shade, producing a tremendously large flower with a white center, bordered blue. Sport and color of Darwin Tulip Farncombe Sanders. Highly recommended..	.55	1.65	11.00

## PARROT TULIP COLLECTION

Fantasy. Pink.	Orange Favorite. Orange.
Therese. Red.	Texas Gold. Yellow.
3 each of 4 varieties ( 12 bulbs, labeled) .....	\$ 2.15
6 each of 4 varieties ( 24 bulbs, labeled) .....	3.75
12 each of 4 varieties ( 48 bulbs, labeled) .....	6.50
25 each of 4 varieties (100 bulbs, labeled) .....	12.75



Therese



Texas Gold



Pink Champion



Blue Parrot



# BOTANICAL TULIPS

## For Permanent Planting

Once planted they need no further care. These wild Tulips come in lovely odd shapes, many with reflexed petals and curiously twisted and reflexed foliage. They belong in the rock garden where they thrive and increase if left in the ground from year to year. Plant them in groups of 6 or 12 bulbs among the rocks in fairly well-drained pockets. We have eliminated all varieties of inferior and poor blooming qualities and list only those which have given satisfaction under American growing conditions.

Per 3 Doz. 100

**BIFLORA, WHITE.** 7 in. One of the few white Botanicals, low in growth, and producing bunches of bloom per bulb .....\$0.50 \$1.65 \$12.00

**CHRYSANTHA.** 8 in. The smallest species in existence, a real novelty. Color rich yellow with rose exterior ..... 1.15 8.00

**CLUSIANA.** (Little Lady Tulip.) 7 in. Outer petals cherry-red, inner petals white with deep blue base ..... 1.95 14.00

**CORNUTA STENOPETALA.** 15 in. Graciously formed flowers of scarlet and gold, with long, narrow and twisted petals giving an exotic effect ..... .85 2.75 19.50

**DASYSTEMON.** 6 in. Incredibly lovely flowers of canary-yellow, petals tipped pure white. The flowers open flat and look like fallen stars. Glossy foliage ..... .75 2.50 19.00

**EICHLERI.** 10 in. Crimson-scarlet, shaded orange, with glittering black center marked with gold. Very large flower. Will outshine a great many of our cultivated Tulips ..... .45 1.45 9.75

**KAUFMANNIANA, THE FIRST.** 7 in. Another new form, color rose to white, base yellow. Outside carmine-red edged white. Earliest of the Botanicals ..... .80 2.60 19.50

**MARJOLETTI.** 14 in. Soft primrose with a carmine-red border. The flower is held on a strong, straight stem. Native of Savoy. Blooms the second week in May ..... .50 1.50 10.50

**PRAESTANS FUSILIER.** 8 in. Largest of the Praestans type. Flowers bright vermilion-red, producing 4 to 5 flowers per plant at one time. 1.20 4.00 .....

**SAXATILIS.** 14 in. Very rare, often bearing two lilac flowers with yellow center on each stem. It appears very early, therefore we suggest you plant it in a sheltered spot ..... .60 1.95 14.00



Marjoletti



Chrysantha



Saxatilis



Clusiana



Eichleri

Kaufmanniana



Botanical Tulip Collection			
	Clusiana	Saxatilis	Marjoletti
Biflora			
6	each of 4 varieties (24 bulbs, labeled)		\$3.75
12	each of 4 varieties (48 bulbs, labeled)		7.00
25	each of 4 varieties (100 bulbs, labeled)		12.50

Cornuta Stenopetala



Dasystemon



# New Graceful *Lily-Flowering Tulips*

We have been able to add many new and outstanding varieties to our list of Lily-flowering Tulips, which in our opinion are the most graceful of all Tulip species. Many of these novelties are not yet offered in any retail catalog. The supply is still short, but for beauty we recommend them highly, and know you will like them, too. These Tulips greatly resemble colored Lilies, and have a most beautiful and unusual effect, both in the garden and for cut-flower arrangements.

	Per 3	Doz.	100
<b>ALASKA.</b> 24 inches. Exquisite long, pure yellow flower, reflexed petals. Prize winner .....	\$0.50	\$1.55	\$10.50
<b>BEVERLY.</b> 25 in. Brilliant orange with white base. A gay and cheerful variety for the garden and for cutting .....	.50	1.55	10.50
<b>MARIETTE.</b> 27 in. Deep rose, inside salmon. One of the largest Lily-Tulips in existence today. This variety has received all the awards a flower can possibly receive .....	.55	1.65	11.00
<b>STANISLAUS.</b> 18 in. Bright, glittering orange flowers. A real beauty. ....	.60	1.90	13.50
<b>WHITE CROSS.</b> 20 in. Pure white, of sturdy growth. The outer petals have a greenish tinge before the flower is fully open, and are much recurved. Very lovely .....	.50	1.55	10.50

## LILY-FLOWERED TULIP COLLECTION

Alaska	Beverly	Mariette	Stanislaus	White Cross
3 each of 5 varieties ( 15 bulbs, labeled) .....				\$ 2.60
6 each of 5 varieties ( 30 bulbs, labeled) .....				3.85
12 each of 5 varieties ( 60 bulbs, labeled) .....				8.00
25 each of 5 varieties (125 bulbs, labeled) .....				14.50

## Newest in Lily-Flowering Tulips

	Per 3	Doz.	100
<b>ALADDIN.</b> 26 in. Dark maroon-red with narrow white border .....	\$1.35	\$4.75	.....
<b>BOHEMIAN GIRL.</b> 23 in. A very pleasing lavender. A new color in the Lily-type Tulips .....	.95	3.15	.....
<b>DON JOSE.</b> 27 in. Brilliant scarlet-red with pronounced yellow base and yellow stamens. One of the tallest and largest of all Lily-Tulips .....	.75	2.50	.....
<b>GAY HUSSAR.</b> 24 in. A lovely salmon, petals bearing a darker stripe. A bright and pleasing novelty .....	.75	2.30	.....

	Per 3	Doz.	100
<b>LILAC TIME.</b> 27 in. A deep and strong purple. Inside white base with yellow pistils. The first deep purple Lily-Tulip. Try it—it's unusual and lovely .....	\$0.95	\$3.15	.....
<b>MAYTIME.</b> 24 in. Bluish purple edged with a narrow white border. Very lovely .....	.85	2.75	.....
<b>MONDAIN.</b> 24 in. Vivid orange-red with narrow edge of orange-yellow. Extra large flower .....	1.05	3.50	.....
<b>OLD GLORY.</b> 24 in. Clear, glossy scarlet-red with golden yellow base .....	1.00	3.10	.....
<b>PAINTED LADY.</b> 24 in. Golden yellow with narrow red edge. Another very elegant flower .....	.70	2.15	.....
<b>ROYAL BABY.</b> 28 in. Tall cream with a broad edge of rosy red. A most pleasing color combination ...	1.00	3.10	.....
<b>YELLOW MARVEL.</b> 26 in. Strong plant with deep golden yellow blooms. Base deep yellow and golden stamens .....	.70	2.15	.....

Yellow  
Marvel



Old  
Glory



Mariette  
In reality the  
flower is more  
salmon than  
illustrated.



# Late Flowering DOUBLES

Per 3    Doz.    100

**ALLEGRO.** 22 in. American Beauty-red with a distinct white edge. This new variety is extremely full and double ..... \$0.50    \$1.55    \$10.50

**ARTHUR GODFREY.** 18 in. This vivid red Novelty Tulip, grown exclusively by Nelis Nurseries, was dedicated and presented to Arthur Godfrey on his May Tulip Time TV show in 1952. Scarce ..... .50    1.65    11.00

**BLUE FLAG.** 22 in. Lovely lavender-blue flower carried on a strong, sturdy stem. Although an old variety it is much admired each year by our Tulip Time visitors. Extremely large and attractive flower. Scarce ..... .55    1.75    12.00

**CLARA CORDER.** 22 in. A new Peony-flowered Tulip of vivid rose color. This variety is fast becoming one of the most popular new Doubles ..... .50    1.55    10.50

**DELADIER.** 20 in. Deep carmine-rose, with lighter edge. Very sturdy growth with strong, stiff stems ..... .50    1.65    11.00

**DOUBLE FANTASY.** 22 in. A sport of Parrot Fantasy. Beautiful rosy pink with white and green veins, very double, ruffled, and a truly outstanding beauty .... 1.00    3.15    ....

**DOUBLE PICOTEE.** 18 in. The flowers open white with a fine margin of pink suffusing the whole flower as it ages. One of the loveliest varieties we grow. The fully developed flowers are as large as full double Peonies. .50    1.55    10.50



Allegro



Mt.  
Tacoma



Uncle  
Tom



Double Picotee



# DOUBLE GIANT TULIPS

	Per 3	Doz.	100
<b>DOUBLE PRUNUS.</b> 24 in. Double rose-pink on strong, sturdy stems. This variety has grown enormously in popularity each year . . . .	\$0.50	\$1.65	\$11.00
<b>GOLDEN MARVEL.</b> 16 in. The best new golden yellow double Tulip we have seen so far. A color badly needed in this class of Tulips . . . . .	.55	1.75	12.00
<b>LILAC PERFECTION.</b> 17 in. Best lavender double Tulip in existence today. Pleasing shade, which keeps its color to the end. . . . .	.55	1.85	13.00
<b>MOUNT TACOMA.</b> 22 in. Purest double white with emerald-green markings on outer petals. Very full flower and sturdy stems. . . . .	.55	1.65	11.00
<b>NIZZA.</b> 20 in. As gay as the carnival colors of this southern French city, striped red on creamy yellow ground. Spectacular wherever planted . . . . .	.50	1.55	10.50
<b>OZON.</b> 20 in. A radiant cardinal-red, with an edge of orange-yellow around each petal, the bases of which are golden yellow. Very showy and strong grower . . . . .	.55	1.65	11.00
<b>ROCKET.</b> 20 in. Soft clear red. A new double of great appeal . . . . .	.55	1.75	12.00
<b>SYMPHONIA.</b> 26 in. Gorgeous, tall, Peony-like bloom of brilliant American Beauty-red with a sweet fragrance. A variety which you will enjoy and admire . . . . .	.50	1.55	10.50
<b>SYNOPE.</b> 18 in. New. One of the finest two-tone doubles, of brilliant red with a wide white border. Late award winner, and outstanding in its class . . . . .	.60	1.85	13.00
<b>UNCLE TOM.</b> 22 in. Huge flower of warm deep maroon. Extra double, fine shaped flowers . . . . .	.50	1.65	11.00



Rocket



Lilac Perfection



Ozon

## COLLECTION OF DOUBLE GIANT TULIPS

Mt. Tacoma. White.	Ozon. Red, yellow edge.
Double Picotee. White,	Symphony. American Beauty-red.
pink edge.	Uncle Tom. Deep maroon.
Double Prunus. Rose-pink.	
3 each of 6 varieties (18 bulbs, labeled) . . . .	\$ 3.10
6 each of 6 varieties (36 bulbs, labeled) . . . .	5.25
12 each of 6 varieties (72 bulbs, labeled) . . . .	9.50
25 each of 6 varieties (150 bulbs, labeled) . . . .	17.50

## MIXED LATE DOUBLE TULIPS

To prolong the blooming period of Double Tulips, which we also offer in the Double Early Mixture on the front cover, we are listing this new, complete mixture of Late Doubles, containing all late varieties listed on these two pages, plus many others. The Double Tulips, with their striking Peony-like fullness, always make a gay splash of color in your spring garden. The effect is always splendid, whether planted in beds, small groups, or borders.

\$1.55 per doz.    \$2.75 per 25    \$10.50 per 100



# America's Favorite

Listed this year you will find many old and new favorites in OUTSTANDING NEW BEARDED IRIS, every one a beauty.

Our severe Michigan climate will not tolerate any weak varieties and the Iris listed here are guaranteed hardy, and will give you 100% satisfaction.

SHIPMENT BEGINS AUGUST 15TH

## 5 Garden Iris Collection

1 each, labeled as pictured.

Ranger

Sable

Prairie Sunset

Cloth of Gold

Plus Heroique, the largest pure white.

This \$6.50 Value for ONLY \$4.95



Cloth of Gold



Prairie Sunset

	Each	Per 3
<b>BLUE RHYTHM.</b> Huge, well formed flowers of cornflower-blue. Won 2nd place among the 100 top favorites in 1953. An outstanding beauty. It has no equal in color and performance and once seen, is never forgotten .....	\$1.00	\$2.50
<b>BLUE SHIMMER.</b> The large flowers of clear white have a blue edging, resembling finest porcelain .....	.75	2.00
<b>BRYCE CANYON.</b> An imposing henna-copper flower. One of the very best blends and very popular .....	1.00	2.75
<b>CHANTILLY.</b> Orchid-pink with lace-like edge on both standards and falls. Appropriately named after the famous beautiful Chantilly lace. The blossoms have unusually heavy substance. ....	1.25	3.50
<b>CHERIE.</b> Described as "Queen of the Pinks." It received the highest award an Iris can have. Grows high and erect and multiplies rapidly. A clump of Cherie is an unforgettable sight, not only for its rare beauty in color, but also for its truly regal bearing ..	3.00	....
<b>CLOTH OF GOLD.</b> If you want the most glowing golden yellow, which produces an abundance of flowers, we recommend this lovely Iris. Together with Solid Mahogany this rich color makes a breath-taking arrangement, and by itself it can only be described as the best golden yellow we have seen .....	1.25	3.00
<b>DAZZELIER.</b> The flowers, which have the same brilliant yellow and orange color of Ola Kala, are about one-third larger than this great Iris. Often attains a height of 44 inches. Exceptional in beauty and strength .....	3.00	....
<b>GRAND CANYON.</b> A blending of plum, copper and gold with a unique sheen, of silky appearance and very different .....	.75	2.00
<b>GREAT LAKES.</b> A clear blue self that will always remain a favorite, no matter how many times you have grown it, you will always want it again .....	.75	2.00
<b>HALL'S FLAMINGO PINK.</b> One of the finest in the NEW PINK IRIS TYPES. Very large flowers and an impressive performer .....	1.00	2.75



# GARDEN IRIS

	Each	Per 3
<b>HALL'S RASPBERRY.</b> Large, smooth, raspberry blossoms with rich red beards. They were the sensation of the exhibits last year. Stock is limited .....	\$3.00	....
<b>HEROIQUE.</b> The largest white Iris we have ever grown. Not only does it produce an abundance of bloom so well spaced on sturdy stalks that each flower is displayed at its best advantage, it also withstands wind and rain exceptionally well. To see Heroique is always to want it .....	2.50	6.50
<b>LADY MOHR.</b> Oyster-shell-white standards and chartreuse falls. A delicate and pleasing color combination. Unusually lovely .....	.75	2.00
<b>MINNIE COLQUITT.</b> A lovely, massive pure white plicata with a broad purple border on standards and falls. Winner of two awards .....	1.00	2.50
<b>NASSAK.</b> A spectacular white. Falls and standards are stitched with blue. Unique. ....	.60	1.50
<b>ORMOHR.</b> The giant soft gray-lavender blossoms are beautifully veined with lilac, and have a rosy glow. The blossoms are excellent for cutting as they last for days, and a clump in the garden makes a striking picture .....	.60	1.50
<b>PEACH BLOW.</b> A cream colored Iris with a beautiful pink border on the falls and standards. Outstandingly lovely ..	.60	1.50
<b>PRAIRIE SUNSET.</b> Sensational blend of warm tones from apricot, peach to rose, glowing colors of the setting sun. ....	1.00	2.75
<b>RAINBOW ROOM.</b> As colorful as the name. Light buff ground color, shaded with apricot-buff. There is a rich blue haze on the falls under the golden beard. The flower fairly glows, appearing to be lighted from within .....	2.50	....
<b>RANGER.</b> Beautiful mahogany-red tint with orange beard. Wide falls like smooth rich velvet. Unusual and showy. ....	1.00	2.75
<b>RED VALOR.</b> Superb, gleaming red with extra heavy substance. Brown beard. A rich, colorful and imposing beauty ...	.75	2.00
<b>ROYAL COACH.</b> Yellow plicata with definite brown stitching. Very well formed flowers. Tall and stately .....	.75	2.00
<b>SABLE.</b> A rich velvety black-purple, it stands out in any Iris show because of its extraordinary lustrous sheen .....	.75	2.00
<b>SHERIFFA.</b> An outstanding variety of rich metallic violet with a dash of blue in the falls. Very free flowering .....	.75	2.00
<b>SOLID MAHOGANY.</b> Glowing, deep reddish brown. Its beauty defies all description .....	1.25	3.00

## BARGAIN IRIS COLLECTION

A spectacular assortment of some of the loveliest Iris, for which we have no room for listing individually on this page. The best of the slightly older varieties, we offer:

- 1 each of 5 different varieties (not labeled) \$1.90
- 1 each of 10 different varieties (not labeled) 3.50

## OUTSTANDING MIXTURE OF ALL COLORS

- 50 for \$13.00 f.o.b. Holland, Mich.
- 100 for \$25.00 f.o.b. Holland, Mich.



Ranger



Sable



# NARCISSUS or

Per 3 Doz. 100

**BEERSHEBA.** (Trumpet.) Perianth and trumpet of magnificent proportions. Sturdy foliage and stem. Height 20 to 22 inches. The color is pure white. Those who are forming collections of the finest Narcissus rate Beersheba at the top of the large white trumpets. Received an Award of Merit and a First Class Certificate. ME. ....\$1.10 \$3.40 \$25.50

**BLUSH QUEEN.** (Short-cupped.) Resembles a Poeticus, but the perianth, instead of being pure white, is apricot-pink. The cup is apricot-pink, bordered with scarlet. Fragrant. M. .... .60 2.00 14.00

**BRIDESMAID.** (Long-cupped.) Pure white, large perianth with a very large, fully ruffled cup, disc-like and delicately shaded cream, edged soft apricot. A flower of appealing beauty. M. .... 1.10 3.40 24.50

**CANALICULATUS.** (Species.) A dainty little Narcissus, 6 inches in height, suitable for sunny positions in the rock garden. It has narrow, erect bluish green foliage, and bears heads of 3 to 4 flowers with white perianth and globular golden cup, sweetly scented. M. .... .40 1.35 9.00

**CARLTON.** (Long-cupped.) A handsome variety of broad, overlapping perianth, with a large expanded cup frilled at the brim, the entire flower of a uniformly soft yellow. A magnificent plant of great vigor, very free blooming, early, and of long lasting qualities. Excellent for exhibition. This variety received an Award of Merit. E. .... .50 1.65 11.00

**CHEERFULNESS.** (Double Poetaz.) A double form of the famous cluster-flowering Daffodil, creamy white in color. Frequently called the "Gardenia" Daffodil. Splendid for the garden; late blooming and very fragrant. Received an Award of Merit. A favorite. L. .... .50 1.55 10.50

**DAISY SCHAEFFER.** (Long-cupped.) One of the best of the remarkable new long-cupped type. The flower is 4½ inches across with cup of nearly two inches. Resembles a giant Trumpet, but much more graceful in form. Pure white perianth with cup opening primrose, turning to light canary-yellow with a greenish overcast at the base. Long lemon-yellow stigma and styles add to the color harmony of this flower, which has captured an Award of Merit and several First Class Certificates. ML. .... .75 2.50 18.00

To inform you of the correct blooming time of the different varieties, we have used the following letters:

E—early ML—medium late  
ME—medium early L—late  
M—medium

Yellow Cheerfulness

General  
MacArthur

Per 3 Doz. 100

**ACTAEA.** (Poeticus.) Pure white perianth, cup yellow, edged red. We consider this the best of the common Poeticus varieties. Fragrant. M. ....\$0.55 \$1.55 \$10.50

**ARTISTE.** (Short-cupped.) Light yellow perianth. Short, flaring cup of golden yellow, edged with a narrow orange border. One notices at once its artistic balance and proportion, along with unusual substance and quality. M. .... .60 2.00 13.50

Imperator



# DAFFODILS

**DICK WELLBAND.** (Short-cupped.) An exhibition variety of great excellence. This variety stands out even in the largest collection of Daffodils. The perianth is pure white and the cup a brilliant flame-orange. The startling contrast between the petals and the cup makes this a variety of great beauty. The color does not fade, but rather intensifies with age, and the flower has unusual lasting qualities. Highly recommended. M. .... \$0.65 \$2.15 \$15.00

**DOUBLE JONQUIL.** The true old-fashioned double, sweet Jonquil with little heads of double, rich yellow flowers, very fragrant and most attractive also for cutting. L. ... .65 2.15 16.00

**DOUBLE ORNATUS.** Another new introduction of the new Poeticus type flowers. A real double, which does not become blind, but blooms very prolifically. Fragrant. ML. .... .65 2.15 15.00

**FIREGLOW.** (Short-cupped.) Golden yellow perianth formed by broad overlapping petals with a short ruffled cup edged orange-red, changing to orange at the throat. Prolific bloomer. M. .... .60 2.00 13.50

**FRANZ LISZT.** (Short-cupped.) One of the most graciously formed and finest proportioned varieties, with white perianth turning to yellow at the base, and a yellow trumpet with narrow orange edge. Prolific bloomer, sweet fragrance. ML. .... .70 2.25 15.00

**GENERAL MacARTHUR.** (Trumpet.) In our judgment the largest and finest golden yellow Daffodil of enormous size and good form, which leaves nothing to be desired. Late flowering, blooms after all the other trumpets are through. One of the largest flowers in existence. L. .... .95 3.00 21.00

**GERANIUM.** (Poetaz.) A most outstanding variety of the bunch-flowering types. Pure white perianth with small, clear orange cup, producing a minimum of four blossoms per stem. Heavy, Gardenia-like perfume. L. .... .60 2.00 13.50

**GOLDEN SCEPTER.** (Short-cupped.) More gracefully proportioned than the giant trumpets, medium size, perfectly built flower of deep jonquil-yellow. Three or more inches in diameter star-shaped perianth, slightly lighter than the trumpet which is slightly rolled and flared at the edge. Long lasting. Received Award of Merit and First Class Certificate. M. .... .45 1.50 10.50



Beersheba

**GOOD LUCK.** (Short-cupped.) Perfect perianth of cream-yellow. Its flat, open cup of vivid red changes to orange at the base. Flowers are large and of heavy texture, borne on strong stems well above the foliage. Sweetly fragrant. Originated and introduced by Nelis Nurseries. M. .... \$0.75 \$2.50 .....

**GRETA GARBO.** (Long-cupped.) A beauty and an outstanding novelty. Yellow perianth with the largest flaring orange cup we have ever seen. Stock of this variety is extremely limited. Plant in shady location for best results. M. .... .75 2.50 18.00

**HANS VAN MEEGEREN.** (Short-cupped.) Golden yellow perianth with broad, overlapping petals of symmetrical form; wide open cup of deep golden yellow with a well-defined edge of orange-red. Mildly fragrant. ME. .... .60 2.00 13.50

Golden Scepter



Cheerfulness





# NARCISSUS or

Per 3 Doz. 100

**IMPERATOR.** (Trumpet.) This lovely, graceful Daffodil is considered one of the finest varieties and the best in this class. Perianth and cup creamy white. L. . . \$0.90 \$3.00 \$21.00

**INSULINDE.** (Double.) Cream-yellow, interspersed with shorter petals of deep orange-red. This flower is not too double to be graceful, yet it is attractively full. Sweetly fragrant. M. . . . . .65 2.15 15.00

**JOHN DIX.** (Short-cupped.) Pure white perianth with a small, dark orange crown about the size of a quarter, which is very finely frilled. Very late, similar to La Riente, which is an earlier variety. Sweet fragrance. L. . . . . .60 2.00 13.50

**KING ALFRED.** (Yellow Trumpet.) Received a First Class Certificate. An old favorite and still very good. The finest early giant all golden Narcissus. E. . . . .65 2.15 15.00

**LA RIANTE.** (Short-cupped.) Greatly admired at the spring flower shows in the Netherlands. Its beautiful white perianth is offset with a brilliant orange-red disk. Worth trying. Medium height with a decidedly sweet fragrance. M. . . . . .50 1.65 11.00

**LUNA.** (Jonquil.) A recent introduction which is, in our estimation, one of the very best of its type. Produces 2 to 3 large, very beautiful, lemon-yellow flowers on each stem. Very fragrant. ML. . . . . .60 2.00 14.00

**MARY COPELAND.** (Double.) An excellent novelty of the new, semi-double type, and termed the most striking new double. The longer petals are pure creamy white with a golden ray down the center, interspersed with shorter petals of lemon and brilliant orange, giving a 3-color effect. Received a First Class Certificate. Very sweetly fragrant. L. . . . . .70 2.30 16.50

**MARY HOLLIS.** (Short-cupped.) Small perianth, beautifully formed, of cream overlaid with lemon-yellow, golden at the tips and center. All orange frilled cup of medium size. Mildly fragrant. ME. . .60 2.00 14.00

**MONTGOMERY.** (Short-cupped.) Medium yellow perianth with a bold cup of clear orange-red extending the full length of the cup. Tall grower and fragrant. M. . . . . .60 1.95 13.50

**MOUNT HOOD.** The largest of the present day pure white trumpet varieties. Pure ivory-white, overlapping perianth, with large creamy white trumpet, heavily flanged and imbricated at the mouth, changing to pure white when in full bloom. M. . . . . .1.00 3.25 24.00

**MOZART.** (Short-cupped.) Latest novelty with nice, overlapping perianth of cream-yellow having a disk-like cup of uniformly deep scarlet and conspicuous stamens of deep yellow. An excellent new introduction. M. . . . . .60 2.00 14.00

## Exhibition Collection of Narcissi

Mozart	Blush Queen	Smiling Queen
Rembrandt	Bridesmaid	Yellow Cheerfulness
Selma Lagerlof	Insulinde	

3 each of 8 varieties ( 24 bulbs, labeled)	\$4.50
6 each of 8 varieties ( 48 bulbs, labeled)	7.75
12 each of 8 varieties ( 96 bulbs, labeled)	15.00
25 each of 8 varieties (200 bulbs, labeled)	27.00

Daisy Schaeffer

Selma Lagerlof

Ola Leavit



DAFFODILS (Continued)

MRS. R. O. BACKHOUSE. (Long-cupped.) This is the famous "PINK DAFFODIL." Fine, informal perianth of ivory-white, elegantly proportioned; slim, long trumpet of apricot-pink changing to shell-pink at the deeply fringed edge. Delicately beautiful but of exceptional substance. Long lasting. Belongs in every collection. L. ....\$0.80 \$2.65 \$19.00

OLA LEAVIT. (Short-cupped.) Pure white perianth, with yellow cup edged orange-red. Not particularly striking at first sight but increasing in beauty as it ages. Delicately fragrant. M. .... .60 2.00 14.00

RED GUARD. (Poetaz.) Another winner of an Award of Merit. Perianth of deepest golden yellow overlaid with salmon and a cup of fiery red, making a beautiful and unusual color combination. Heavy spicy odor. ML. .... .65 2.15 15.50

REINE BLANCHE. (Short-cupped.) Pure white perianth, which is large and well proportioned. Finely ruffled and flaring cup which opens canary-yellow and changes to cream with a peach overcast. Delicate spicy fragrance. ME. .... .60 2.00 14.00

REMBRANDT. (Trumpet.) One of the best all yellow early trumpets. Extra large and of fine form. E. .... .70 2.25 16.00

RICHARD WAGNER. (Short-cupped.) Pure white perianth of fine form, with flat, golden yellow cup having a narrow orange, frilled edge. The perfection of this variety is in its fine form, for which hybridizers have been aiming. L. .... .65 2.15 15.00

ROBINHOOD. (Trumpet.) A large flower, which blooms medium early. Golden yellow perianth of good form and trumpet of orange-yellow, producing an interesting color contrast. ME. ... .65 2.15 15.00

SATURNUS. (Short-cupped.) Large, pure white perianth and an unusually beautiful, deeply frilled, deep orange cup, producing a glorious and striking effect against the white background. Strong flower and unquestionably one of the finest. M. .... .60 2.00 14.00

SELMA LAGERLOF. (Short-cupped.) Pure white perianth, symmetrical, with a large flat cup broadly edged orange, which changes to salmon with age. Prolific bloomer. ME. .... .60 2.00 14.00



Dick Wellband

SEMPER AVANTI. A large, noble flower with creamy white perianth of overlapping petals. The enormous cup is deep orange throughout. M. ....\$0.75 \$2.25 \$16.00

SMILING QUEEN. (Short-cupped.) Magnificently proportioned and overlapping pure white perianth offset by a double, flaring, ruffled cup of orange, shading golden yellow to the throat. New and superbly beautiful—the only one of this kind we have ever seen. Spicy fragrance. ME. .... .65 2.15 15.00



Mozart



Thalia



## Narcissus or Daffodils (Continued)

Per 3 Doz. 100

**THALIA.** (Triandrus.) In addition to a peculiar attraction, at first sight this flower leaves one with an impression of a whiteness that is not purely white. The recurving petals and the angle of three trumpets are unlike the conventional short-cupped Daffodils. The stem is dark green, round and reed-like thin. Called the "Orchid-Flower" Narcissus. L. ....\$0.75 \$2.50 \$18.00

**TUNIS.** (Long-cupped.) An outstanding variety of this type, having broad white perianth, with large, bold ivory cup, the brim of which is handsomely flanged and serrated, retaining a remarkable flush of pale coppery gold at the edge. An early bloomer, recommended. Mild, sweet fragrance. E. .... .65 2.15 15.00

**YELLOW CHEERFULNESS.** (Double Poetaz.) All golden yellow double cluster flowering. Splendid for the garden or cut flowers. Very fragrant. Late blooming. L. .... .65 2.15 15.00

### Novelty Collection of Narcissi

Cheerfulness  
Fireglow  
Golden Scepter

Hans Van Meegeren  
King Alfred  
Montgomery

Reine Blanche  
Saturnus

3	each of 8 varieties ( 24 bulbs, labeled) .....	\$5.50
6	each of 8 varieties ( 48 bulbs, labeled) .....	10.00
12	each of 8 varieties ( 96 bulbs, labeled) .....	18.50
25	each of 8 varieties (200 bulbs, labeled) .....	35.00



Double Jonquil



Mrs. R. O. Backhouse



Geranium



Luna

### SCILLA SIBIRICA

Spring Beauty

Blue. 4 in. Dainty little blue flowers invaluable for edging borders, or massed in flower beds. Hardy and very satisfactory. 85c per doz.; \$6.50 per 100.







Harry



L' Argentine

## Newest NARCISSI

These latest novelties in Narcissi have been tried and tested by us, and found superior in every respect. All of them are outstanding in beauty and growing performance. Available only in limited quantities.

### COLLECTION OF NEWEST NARCISSI

9 bulbs, 1 each of 9 listed (unlabeled)	.....\$ 2.75
27 bulbs, 3 each of 9 listed (labeled)	..... 8.00
54 bulbs, 6 each of 9 listed (labeled)	..... 15.00

	Per 3	Doz.	100
<b>FRA ANGELICO.</b> (Short-cupped.) Perianth is light yellow, well formed and overlapping. The flaring and ruffled cup is at least 2 inches across, flame-red, the color extending down to the orange throat. Well recommended. ME. ....	\$0.85	\$2.75	.....
<b>HARRY.</b> (Short-cupped.) Pure white perianth of outstanding proportions. The orange cup is very ruffled, especially at the edges. This is a very fine variety with spicy fragrance. M. ....	.85	2.75	.....
<b>L'ARGENTINE.</b> (Short-cupped.) Pure white, perfectly star-shaped perianth. Large ruffled cup with obvious stripes, white and yellow. Very unusual novelty. M. ....	.85	2.75	.....
<b>MRS. WM. COPELAND.</b> (Double.) Very large and pure white perianth. The cup segments are of a creamy tint which fades into white. A splendid flower and good increaser. Fragrant. ME. ....	.90	3.00	.....
<b>NELIS FAVORITE.</b> (Short-cupped.) One of our own seedlings, introduced in 1952. Large, ruffled perianth of cream-yellow. The ruffled orange cup is interspersed with golden yellow tips. A most interesting novelty. M. ....	1.20	4.00	.....
<b>OTHELLO.</b> (Short-cupped.) Straw-yellow perianth deepening in color toward the center of the flower. Frilled, deep orange cup. Perfect form, free blooming, sweetly fragrant. ML. ....	.85	2.75	.....
<b>PAPILLON BLANCHE.</b> (Short-cupped.) Large, well proportioned and full perianth of veined, creamy white. The open cup consists of six creamy white petals which overlap slightly and are lemon-yellow at the tip, blending to a deep green at the base. A flower of unusual beauty which never fails to draw attention. Still very scarce. M. ...	.85	2.75	.....
<b>PARAKEET.</b> (Short-cupped.) Well shaped perianth of Dresden yellow, its finely ruffled cup of clear orange extending deep down into the throat. A Nelis introduction. M. ....	.90	3.00	.....
<b>STANDARD VALUE.</b> An outstandingly large, late flowering trumpet, with yellow perianth. A variety worth while having and adding to any collection. L. ....	1.00	3.20	.....

Golden Castle



## Golden Castle

(Double Trumpet)

We are proud to be able to offer to you at the new, lowest price ever, this delightfully fragrant, golden yellow double Trumpet, which is as double as a rosebud, and enhanced besides by many shorter, odd sized petals, some of them in the shape of tiny Chinese umbrellas. The illustration does not show the definite trumpet shape, though it clearly depicts the full, ruffled center of the trumpet. We have received many enthusiastic letters regarding this variety, but the best news is that we are able to reduce our price this year, so many of our friends may be able to enjoy Golden Castle.

Each \$1.00    \$2.85 per 3    \$5.50 per 6    \$10.00 per doz.



# DAFFODILS

## for Naturalizing

**Suitable for Garden Display,  
Woodland Planting or Cutting**

Practically any soil has been found suitable, and they are grown equally well in the open as among trees and in woodland. Contains a mixture of large Trumpets, Short-Cupped, and Poeticus types, a mixture that cannot be equalled for value, and worth much more than we charge for them. Plant at least 8 inches deep, but avoid places where water may collect at any time, as they like drainage.

Try to plant before October 15th, or shortly thereafter, and place your order early, as the demand is increasing for these bulbs at this special low price. We cannot take orders for less than 50 bulbs. All blooming size bulbs.

50 for \$3.75	250 for \$16.90
100 for 7.00	1000 for 65.00

### Nelis SUPER QUALITY Daffodil Mixture

To those of you who are interested in immediate results in a much better than average mixture, we are pleased to offer our Nelis Super-Quality Daffodil Mixture of super-quality bulbs. One of the most outstanding hybridizers of Daffodils is constantly supplying us with his entire crop of new hybrids, to which we have added the best of Yellow Trumpet and other high quality, standard named varieties. The result is an unsurpassable mixture of the widest possible range of color and blooming. Ideal for naturalizing where quality is desired and names are immaterial. All large, mature bulbs, which will give a wealth of bloom at once, many producing as many as two or three flowers per bulb the first year after planting.

25 for \$3.50	100 for \$12.00
50 for 6.50	250 for 29.00

### PAPER WHITE DAFFODILS

Imported from France.

The French-grown Paper-Whites are of first rate quality and ideal for indoor planting in pots, sand, gravel or fiber. Plant different lots every two weeks from October 1st to March 1st, and these bulbs will give you an abundance of beautiful fragrant flowers during the winter months. Not suitable for outdoor planting, except south of the Carolinas. We offer only Jumbo or exhibition size bulbs. \$1.75 per doz.; \$12.50 per 100.

**Muscari Azureum Album**



Top size bulbs. Ideal for naturalizing and cut flowers.  
Heavenly Blue. 65c per doz.; \$4.50 per 100.

Azureum Album. White, new improved variety, much larger than the old type, in fact as large as the Heavenly Blue Muscari. 85c per doz.; \$6.50 per 100.

### BLUE GRAPE HYACINTHS for Naturalizing

**HEAVENLY BLUE.** Blooming size bulbs. Height about 10 inches. These bulbs are ideal for bordering, especially effective in combination with Daffodils.

50 for \$2.00	250 for \$ 8.50
100 for 3.75	1000 for 30.00



### GRAPE HYACINTHS (Muscari)

Muscari,  
Heavenly Blue

←  
Paper-  
White  
Daffodils





# Gorgeous COLCHICUMS

## SENSATIONAL WONDER BULB

The only bulbs that will bloom indoors without soil, without water, without care.

Place on the mantel, window ledge or table, and with no further attention on your part, it will reward you with its exquisitely lovely blooms. Use these bulbs for gifts. The usefulness of the bulb does not end after the blossoms fade, for they may be planted outdoors in the fall, and in the spring luxuriant green foliage appears. When the foliage has died down, dig up the bulbs and the blooming will be repeated indoors.

### AUTUMNALE MINOR.

Lavender blooms. 6 for \$1.50; \$2.50 per doz.

### COLLECTION OF COLCHICUMS

4 bulbs, unlabeled .....	\$1.65
12 bulbs, 3 each of 4 listed ..	4.75
24 bulbs, 6 each of 4 listed ..	8.50

## STERNBERGIA LUTEA

(Golden Yellow Autumn Flower)

We have been fortunate in obtaining a shipment from Turkey, where the Sternbergias are native, and we are now able to offer you these scarce flowers. The bulbs develop their foliage shortly before blooming, adding to the beauty of the richly textured yellow flowers which come into bloom around mid-September, and reach a height of 6 to 8 inches. They are perfectly hardy and may be used for potting indoors also. Plant in late summer.

6 for \$1.35    \$2.50 per doz.    \$4.65 per 25

Please send me another Colchicum Collection. The bulbs I got before were exquisite when they bloomed and caused much comment.

Mrs. E. Z. Altman  
Chicago, Ill.



Sternbergia Lutea

Lycoris



## Lycoris Squamigera

(Hardy Amaryllis Halli)

Produces attractive green foliage which grows from early spring until July, when it ripens and disappears. About a month later, as if by magic, the flower stalk springs from the ground to a height of 2 to 3 feet, developing an umbel of large Lily-shaped flowers, 8 to 12 in number, of a delicate lilac-pink shade. The bulb is perfectly hardy. In planting, cover crown about 4 inches with soil. Each 75c; 3 for \$2.00; \$6.75 per doz.

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Hardy  
Anemone,  
Blanda



## NEW HARDY ANEMONE

*Blanda Atrocoerulea*

Height 3 in. Rich violet-blue flowers appear in large quantity in early spring, just after the Snowdrops have bloomed. The flowers are carried in rich abundance above fern-like foliage. Perfectly hardy and willing to bloom well in light shade, they make a wonderful show under shrubs, in rock gardens, or in naturalized masses under trees. Always plant in clumps (preferably a dozen bulbs) for best effect. Set 3 inches deep and 4 inches apart.

\$1.15 per doz.    \$2.25 per 25    \$9.00 per 100



*Scilla Campanulata*

## New Giant Scilla Campanulata

These graceful new Scillas far surpass the old types. Ideal for cut flowers with their long stems, as well as for naturalizing. Thrive in full sun, partial shade or full shade. Bloom with the late Tulips, when all other Hyacinth-types are through blooming.

	Per Doz.	Per 100
Heavenly Blue. Blue .....	\$0.85	\$6.50
Rhineland. Rose-pink .....	.85	6.50
White Triumphator. White ..	.85	6.50
Mixed. All colors .....	.80	6.00



*Leucojum Vernum*

## OXALIS ADENOPHYLLA

6 to 8 in. Soft lilac-pink flowers carried on very handsome blue-green foliage. Oxalis blooms abundantly and likes to be planted in full sun. Plant 3 inches deep and 4 to 5 inches apart in the fall. Give light protection during the winter. \$1.60 per doz.; \$2.75 per 25; \$10.50 per 100.

## LEUCOJUM VERNUM

(Giant Snowdrops)

An early and most attractive spring flower, bearing nodding flowers of white tipped with green. Grows around 10 to 12 inches high. They should be planted in early fall in good, well drained soil, 4 inches deep. Especially effective if planted in clumps, 4 to 5 inches apart. After they become well established they bloom more beautifully each year. \$1.85 per doz.; \$13.50 per 100.

*Chionodoxa*

## NEW IXIOLIRION PALLASI

Lovely flowers of deep blue or violet, popularly called "Siberian Bluebell." Flowers in the spring, and bulbs are hardy.

95c per doz.    \$7.00 per 100

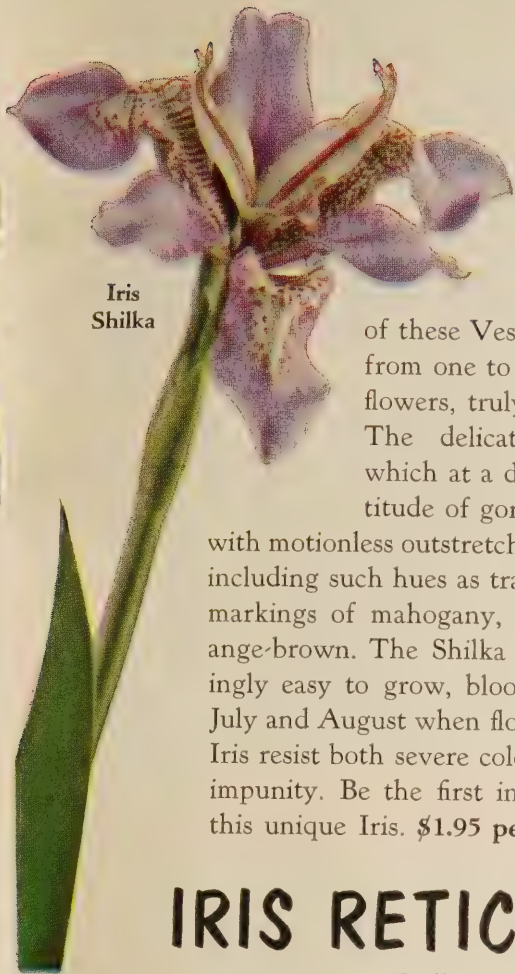
## CHIONODOXA

(Glory-of-the-Snow)

These lovely, earliest of spring flowers of deep blue with a white center, attain a height of 7 inches and produce spikes bearing 10 to 15 Scilla-like flowers. Perfectly hardy. Plant close together for best effect. 50c per doz.; \$3.50 per 100.







Iris  
Shilka

## IRIS SHILKA

(Vesper Iris)

The graceful filigree of the branches of these Vesper Iris is studded with from one to two hundred jewel-like flowers, truly a mammoth bouquet. The delicately colored blossoms, which at a distance resemble a multitude of gorgeous butterflies at rest with motionless outstretched wings, vary in color, including such hues as translucent lavender with markings of mahogany, lemon, copper and orange-brown. The Shilka Iris, which are exceedingly easy to grow, bloom for a month during July and August when flowers are scarce. Vesper Iris resist both severe cold and intense heat with impunity. Be the first in your locality to grow this unique Iris. \$1.95 per 5; \$3.50 per 10.



## IRIS RETICULATA

(Bulbous)

This lovely species is one of the treasures of the garden or rock garden. It can be described as a small form of the Dutch Iris, or Spanish Iris. Its main value lies in the fact that it can be forced into bloom in the house with the greatest ease. Six or eight bulbs put into a 4 or 5 inch pot when received, will bloom about Christmas time. The fragrant blooms remind one of a bunch of fresh Violets. Perfectly hardy with reasonable protection. It is one of the loveliest early flowering bulbs for the rockery. \$1.00 per doz.; \$7.25 per 100.

Iris  
Reticulata



## DUTCH IRIS

(Bulbous)

A new and early flowering race coming into bloom just after the Tulips are gone. The flowers are large, resembling Orchids, and are distinctive and brilliant in color. Flowers are of heavy texture and when cut have wonderful keeping qualities. Bulbs should be planted in the fall, 5 inches deep, in well drained soil, with a light protection after freezing weather sets in. Offered at new low prices.

Doz. 100

**SAX BLUE.** 28 in. Rich dark blue with a distinctive yellow blotch, very large ..... \$1.00 \$7.00

**LEMON QUEEN.** 28 in. New lovely pure lemon-yellow ..... 1.10 7.50

**WHITE EXCELSIOR.** 22 in. Uniform pure white falls, very broad, of good form and substance ..... 1.00 7.50

**MIXED DUTCH IRIS.** All colors mixed .. .80 6.00

## ENGLISH IRIS

(Bulbous)

This magnificent mixture of bulbous Iris has been developed at our nurseries, and contains all the choicest varieties which can possibly be had in these fine Iris. They bloom in our latitude about the early part of July, and come after all other bulbous Iris. They should be planted as soon after receiving them as possible for best results. They prefer the more moist and heavier soils, and should have good drainage. The blooms of the English Iris are considered to be the finest of any in the Iris class, and each individual bloom is strikingly beautiful. As cut flowers they are unsurpassed. We are offering them in a fine mixture of colors. \$1.65 per doz.; \$12.00 per 100.

English Iris





# Autumn Flowering Iris

## Flowers in Spring and Fall

Profuse blooming in spring, and with the proper care, another flower crop in the fall. While best results are obtained with these Iris below the Mason-Dixon line, with a little care we have had excellent results with fall bloomers even here in Michigan.

	Each	Doz.
<b>AUTUMN ELF.</b> 22 in. Ruffled standards of cream, flaring falls of soft lilac .....	\$0.45	\$4.50
<b>AUTUMN KING, JR.</b> 30 in. New violet fragrance. Standards light lavender, falls hyssop-violet. Giant fall bloomer .....	.45	4.50
<b>BLACK MAGIC.</b> 26 in. Fine, profuse fall bloomer. Deep violet-blue with rich velvety luster and black sheen .....	.45	4.50
<b>SOUND MONEY.</b> 24 in. Golden yellow fall bloomer. Produces several flowers per plant .....	.45	4.50
<b>ULTRA.</b> 20 in. New deep purple which blooms freely in spring and fall .....	.45	4.50
<b>WHITE AUTUMN.</b> 30 in. Beautiful silvery white, a rapid multiplier .....	.45	4.50

### AUTUMN FLOWERING IRIS COLLECTION

1 each of 6 (6 plants, unlabeled) .....	\$ 2.35
3 each of 6 (18 plants, labeled) .....	6.25
6 each of 6 (36 plants, labeled) .....	11.75



## DWARF IRIS

These beautiful little Iris do not grow over 4 inches high, and bloom in April and May. They are fine for bordering flower beds, or planting in the rock garden. Many will bloom again in the fall. Mixed colors only.

\$2.60 per doz.      \$19.00 per 100



## Imported - Majestic Indoor Blooming

# AMARYLLIS

Newest, largest, showiest hybrids. Specially imported for the great thrill they will give you, year after year.

So choice, so exceptional that we must have your order by the end of October, 1955.

These new Amaryllis hybrids are simply gorgeous, grand beyond belief. You have never seen anything like them before, and as a special favor for the connoisseur who wants the exceptional we have obtained the choicest varieties from the European hybridizers. The supply is necessarily restricted, please place your order early to assure delivery. For the most spectacular of indoor blooming flowers, grown with the greatest of ease, with from four to eight huge blooms from each bulb, we offer you the following colors:

### SELECT YOUR COLORS

Scarlet-red. Red, white stripes.  
Bright red.

**\$3.95 each;  
3 for \$11.00**

Pure pink.  
Pure white, rarest of all.

**\$4.50 each;  
3 for \$12.50**

Lilium Candidum

## A Happy Thought for Christmas!

These huge, new Amaryllis bulbs make a wonderful Christmas gift. Give us the shipping address, marked "Christmas" and we will hold for mailing to arrive just before Christmas. Bulbs will bloom soon afterwards.

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**Lilium Henryi**



**Lilium Rubrum**

## Aristocratic Hardy GARDEN LILIES

### LILIUM HENRYI

A vigorous Lily, reaching a maximum height of 6 feet. Flowers of deep orange-yellow, averaging 20 blossoms per plant. Easy growing in either heavy or light soils. 3 for \$1.35; \$4.50 per doz.

### LILIUM RUBRUM

Rich ruby-carmine on white, stout of substance and broad petals. This variety stands out prominently because of its vigorous growth, as well as its size and depth of coloring. \$1.75 per 3; \$6.75 per doz.

### LILIUM ORANGE TRIUMPH

A startling new introduction of really brilliant orange, a crossing of Lilium Umbellatum and Lilium Croceum. It has created a remarkable enthusiasm in the Netherlands. Height 3½ feet, with erect flowers. This is an outstanding Lily and a remarkably brilliant color. 3 for \$1.25; \$4.50 per doz.

### REGAL LILIES

Regals give your garden a final touch of beauty. A wonderful new and hardy Lily, native of Northern China, and very easily grown. The flowers are ivory-white, trumpet-shaped with soft yellow throat. Grows 4 to 5 feet tall. Very fragrant. Blooms in July. This Lily will give increased beauty for many years without transplanting. Special low price for fall planting: 3 for \$1.50; \$5.00 per doz.



**Lilium Tenuifolium**

### LILIUM TENUIFOLIUM, Red

A dainty Lily with slender stems and glossy foliage, blooming in June or July, producing numerous showy scarlet flowers with reflexing petals. Prefers a sunny location, and well drained soil. 3 for \$1.00; \$3.50 per doz.

### ← LILIUM CANDIDUM (Madonna Lily)

Also known by many as "June Lilies." It is the earliest outdoor garden Lily. You have often admired it with its rich perfume and snow-white flowers, 3 to 15 on a stem. It is very hardy and will thrive in any light garden soil, with plenty of light and air.

	Each	3	Doz.
Large bulbs .....	\$0.60	\$1.50	\$5.00
Medium bulbs .....	.45	1.20	4.00





## SPRING BLOOMING DUTCH CROCUS

A new strain of Giant-Flowering Crocus. One of the first to bloom after the snow has disappeared. Very desirable effect is made by planting in groups on the lawn. Special large size bulbs measuring 1 inch in diameter.

	Per Doz.	Per 100
White .....	\$0.70	\$5.00
Purple .....	.70	5.00
Yellow .....	1.00	7.50
Striped .....	.70	5.00

### DUTCH CROCUS COLLECTION

12	EACH of 3 colors, 36 bulbs labeled (White, Yellow, Purple) .....	\$2.25
25	EACH of 3 colors, 75 bulbs labeled (White, Yellow, Purple) .....	4.50
100	EACH of 3 colors, 300 bulbs labeled (White, Yellow, Purple) .....	15.00

### MIXED CROCUS — All Colors

50 for \$2.75      100 for \$5.00

## *Dutch Hyacinths*

### EXHIBITION SIZE BULBS

Red, Rose, White, Yellow, Light Blue, Dark Blue

#### Your Selection of Colors—Exhibition Size

\$3.00 per doz.      \$22.50 per 100

#### Mixed Hyacinths—Bedding Size

\$2.35 per doz.      \$16.50 per 100

We are offering these lovely, early spring flowering Hyacinth bulbs in a wide range of colors. These fragrant flowers are perfect for beds or borders.

### HYACINTH COLLECTION

3	each of 6 colors ( 18 bulbs labeled) ....	\$4.75
6	each of 6 colors ( 36 bulbs labeled) ....	9.25
12	each of 6 colors ( 72 bulbs labeled) ....	17.50
25	each of 6 colors (150 bulbs labeled) ....	33.00





## Michigan's Largest Bulb Growers

Please print or write your name, full address and order plainly. All members of the same family living at the same address please order under one name.

Name Mr.  
Mrs.  
Miss } \_\_\_\_\_

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Post Office ..... Zone .....

State \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Encl. \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Ship on or about .....

(Leave this space blank if you want us to use our own judgment as to shipping date)

Transportation charges paid on all orders amounting to over \$5.00 if accompanied by cash in full, unless stated otherwise. On orders under \$5.00 please include 25c to cover cost of packing and postage on your order.

Please help us correct our mailing list. If your name or address shown on the envelope is wrong, or if you have moved, please inform us accordingly. Thank you.

**Orders under \$5.00 add 25c (packing and postage)**

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# VITAMIN Cartridges

Luxuriant Lawns and Gardens  
THIS NEW  
EASY WAY



**VITAMIST**  
VITAMIZE  
AS YOU SPRINKLE

NEW—simple, easy, quick way to VITAMIZE your entire lawn and garden. Assure yourself of gorgeous, luxuriant flowers and a beautiful, attractive lawn that will be the envy of your friends and neighbors.

NO SPECIAL  
NOZZLE  
NO SPRAYER  
NO EXTRA  
ATTACHMENTS  
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**NO FUSS—NO MESS—NO BOTHER**

Simply remove the nozzle from your garden hose, drop a VITA-MIST Cartridge into the hose, replace the nozzle and turn on the water. **NOTHING ELSE LIKE IT.** One cartridge will VITA-MIZE 1500 square feet.

**THIRTY WEEKS' SUPPLY . . . Postpaid \$1.00**  
Packed 30 cartridges in a box—enough to VITAMIZE 1500 square feet, once a week for 30 weeks.



## Domestic AMARYLLIS BULBS

These Amaryllis can be offered in mixed colors only. For the Giant Dutch Amaryllis, labeled to color, please consult page 30 of this catalog.

Amaryllis are available from October 15th to spring, and are delightful for indoor blooming during the winter months when lack of color and flowers is felt most.

Mixed Colors

### Domestic Amaryllis

Size  $2\frac{3}{4}$  to 3 inches in diameter: 3 for \$2.25; \$7.50 per doz.

Small bulbs, 2 to  $2\frac{1}{4}$  inches in diameter: 6 for \$1.50; \$2.75 per doz.



*— A Happy Thought for Christmas!*

Imported Amaryllis in Separate Colors Listed on Page 30

These huge, new Amaryllis bulbs make a wonderful Christmas gift. Give us the shipping address, marked "Christmas" and

we will hold for mailing to arrive just before Christmas. Bulbs will bloom soon afterwards.

**NELIS NURSERIES, Inc., Holland, Mich.**